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current application. As a result, Applicant wishes to comply with any potential obligation under MPEP 2001.06(c) and further wishes to submit additional prior art.

Applicant previously submitted on July 26, 2006 the following documents: 1) an Information Disclosure Statement which contains several U.S. patent references, along with several non-patent references, 2) copies of court pleadings and orders from the above-mentioned litigation showing assertions of the current owner of the parent patents, Curtiss-Wright Flow Control Corporation, and of other parties to the litigation, namely Velan, Inc. and Z&J Technologies GMBH and Zimmermann & Jansen, Inc. Applicant hereby requests that these documents be considered in conjunction with this Petition to Withdraw from Issue.

Applicant also previously submitted on July 26, 2006 a fee representing the fee for a petition to withdraw from issue, the fee for continued examination, and the fee for consideration of an Information Disclosure Statement. As Applicant has been notified by the Office that the submission on July 26, 2006 had deficiencies, Applicant hereby requests that the fee paid on July 26, 2006 be applied to this Petition to Withdraw from Issue..